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November 25, 2003

Mr. J. T. Noblin Clerk United States District Court 200 United States Courthouse and Federal Building 701 North Main Street Hattiesburg, MS 39401

IN RE: MDL 1407 (PPA) PHENYLPROPANOLAMINE PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION

Dear Clerk:

Enclosed is certified copy of the Transfer Order (CTO Tagalong) entered by the Judicial Pane on Multidistrict Litigation. The order became effective on November 19, 2003. We have assigned an individual Western District of Washington (WAW) case number to your case to be transferred to us as listed below.

Please send us your file along with a certified copy of your docket entries. When you send you file, please refer to our civil action number.

Title of Case Ellis v. Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. Your Number

4: 03-349

WAW Number

CV03-2874

Sincerely,

BRUCE RIFKIN, CLERK

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Re: MDL-1407 -- In re Phenylpropanolamine (PPA) Products Liability Litigation

Charles Doug Ellis v. Wal-Mart Stores, Inc., S.D. Mississippi, C.A. No. 4:03-349

Dear Mr. Rifkin:

A conditional transfer order was filed in the above-captioned action on October 21, 2003. Prior to the expiration of that order's fifteen-day stay, opposition to the proposed transfer was filed and, pursuant to Rule 7.4(c) of the Rules of Procedure of the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation, 199 F.R.D. 425, 435 (2001), the conditional transfer order was stayed until further order of the Panel. Inasmuch as the opposing party has failed to file the required motion and brief to vacate the conditional transfer order, an order is being filed lifting the stay of the conditional transfer order and transferring the action to your district pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1407. I am enclosing a certified copy of today's order lifting the stay.

A list of involved counsel is attached.

Very truly,

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Michael J. Beck Clerk of the Panel

Enclosures

Transferee Judge: Judge Barbara Jacobs Rothstein cç:

> Transferor Judge: Judge Tom S. Lee Transferor Clerk: J.T. Noblin

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BEFORE THE JUDICIAL PANEL ON MULTIDISTRICT LITIGATION

IN RE PHENYLPROPANOLAMINE (PPA) PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION

Charles Doug-Ellis v. Wal-Mart Stores, Inc., S.D. Mississippi, C.A. No. 4:03-349

ORDER LIFTING STAY OF CONDITIONAL TRANSFER ORDER

A conditional transfer order was filed in this action (*Ellis*) on October 21, 2003. Prior to expiration of that order's fifteen-day stay of transmittal, plaintiff in *Ellis* submitted a notice of opposition to the proposed transfer. Plaintiff subsequently failed to file the required motion and brief to vacate the conditional transfer order.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the stay of the Panel's conditional transfer order designated as "CTO-36" filed on October 21, 2003, is LIFTED insofar as it relates to this action, and thus the action is transferred to the Western District of Washington for inclusion in the coordinated or consolidated pretrial proceedings under 28 U.S.C. § 1407 being conducted by the Honorable Barbara Jacobs Rothstein.

FOR THE PANEL:

Michael J. Beck

Clerk of the Panel